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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE WITH RCE (REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action (final rejection) dated July 23, 2008, and the Advisory Action dated January 16, 2009, and further to the amendment filed December 19, 2008, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.